

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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VIA FOIAonline

Rudy O'Brien Regional Public Defender for Capital Cases 210 S. Grimes Street San Antonio, TX 78218

RE: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request EPA-R6-2017-005325

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

This letter concerns the above-referenced FOIA request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on March 27, 2017, in which you requested all information related to water contamination and lead issues in San Antonio (Westside) in the 1980s and 1990s. The date range requested was from January 1, 1980 through 1999.

EPA Region 6 has concluded its search for records responsive to your request and did not locate any responsive records.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at https://nq.foia@epa.gov, or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only). Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20001.

Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals <u>received</u> after the 90 calendar day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Additionally, you may seek assistance from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or (202)566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; e-mail, ogis@nara.gov; telephone, 301-837-1996 or 1-877-684-6448; and facsimile, 301-837-0348.

This is a final response to your request, and you may receive a final billing (if appropriate) from the Regional FOIA Office. If you have any questions concerning this response, you may contact the Regional FOIA Officer, Leticia Lane, who can be reached at (214) 665-7202 or lane.leticia@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

William K. Honker, P.E.

Director

Water Division